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TAGS: PFOR, UNGA, BG, US

SUBJECT: MUJIB'S VISIT TO UNGA

REF: DACCA 3497 AND DACCA 3772

1. CONFIRMING REPORTS WE HAD BEGUN TO RECIEVE THAT PRIME MINISTER MIGHT NOT GO TO NEW YORK AFTER ALL, ACTING FOREIGN SECRETARY AHMED TOLD AMBASSADOR LAST NIGHT THAT MUJIB HAD BEEN HAVING SECOND THOUGHTS ABOUT WHETHER HE SHOULD BE AWAY FROM BANGLADESH DURING THIS DIFFICULT PERIOD FOR AS LONG AS HIS TRIP TO UNITED STATES AND IRAQ WOULD REQUIRE. AHMED EMPHASIZED THAT NO DECISION TO CANCEL HAD BEEN TAKEN YET AND THOUGHT IT WOULD BE ANOTHER FOUR OR FIVE DAYS BEFORE DECISION WOULD BE MADE ONE WAY OR ANOTHER. AHMED SAID THE PRIME MINISTER WOULD NOT BE INCLUDING CAIRO ON THIS TRIP IN ANY EVENTUALITY, BUT MIGHT WELL GO THERE IN NOVEMBER.

2. COMMENT: MUJIB'S DOMESTIC SITUATION IS BAD ENOUGH TO MAKE SUCH "SECOND THOUGHTS" PLAUSIBLE ON THESE GROUNDS ALONE. HOWEVER, WE HAVE ALSO BEEN TOLD THAT THE REAL REASON FOR THE POSSIBLE CANCELLATION IS THE

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PRIME MINISTER'S FEAR THAT HE IS NOT GOING TO BE

INVITED TO WASHINGTON, AN OMISSION WHICH MUJIB FEELS
WOULD BE READ HERE AS AN INSULT TO HIM.
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